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Readers Say—

That Christ Be Preached

To the Editor:

Your splendid magazine has an eager reception in our home and is to be commended for its fair news coverage. I have been especially interested in the letters from time to time. One of them in your March 15 issue deserves some comment.

Reader Ralph J. Bos has taken issue with the regional rallies sponsored by the NAE as being of the Arminian type and further as infringing upon a function of the church. He predicts disruption in the NAE ranks if the organization continues this practice. In this connection I would like to point out one or two things.

In the first place, if we who believe in the power of the blood of Christ to transform and save cannot cooperate on the saving Gospel, what in heaven's name can we cooperate on? Must we, too, like so many other groups content ourselves with only the marginal activities of the church? We do differ in many things but we have a message for the world. That is what has called us together. Let us proclaim that message!

In the second place, I am a conservative Arminian, and I with many of my brethren have found some characteristics of the NAE sponsored rallies and evangelistic campaigns not at all to my liking. However, I want to be big enough to weigh the good that is being done against my disagreements, and to realize that my Calvinistic brethren are getting some people into the Kingdom too.

In the third place, I believe that while, a careful examination of the facts will reveal the Arminians in the ascendancy in some areas, the Calvinists are clearly the leaders in other areas. This situation will no doubt change from time to time as available leadership changes. I wish we were not quite so mindful of that theological cleavage, and as Bible-believing, Christ-honoring men and women would thank God for every occasion where "Christ is preached."

Finally, I would point out the fact that some of the greatest evangelists of our country have been and are Calvinists, and some of the strongest leadership in the NAE is certainly not of the Arminian persuasion. I doubt if the Baptists would want to grant D. L. Moody to the Arminians. Let us work for changes of leadership when we think it necessary, but let us not confess that we cannot work together in the proclamation of the Gospel.

Praise God that in a day "when the enemy is coming in like a flood" everywhere over our land "the Spirit of the Lord has raised up a standard against him" in the form of the National Association of Evangelicals.

JOSEPH L. DAVIS

Auburn, Wash.

Book Reviews

To the Editor:

I am a subscriber to the magazine—UEA. I have been greatly blessed as well as helped through the same. However, while reading the last one I came across the statement, under "In the Secret Place of the Most High" in "Book Chat": "In one place he passes beyond Scriptural warrant in endorsing prayers for the dead, not excluding non-Christians."

I must say that it grieved me to find such a book advertised. I would like to say what I want to say as sweetly as possible. I never want to hurt anyone, but do you not thing in taking in such an ad we are in danger of even giving a little hope for purgatory?

It may not be an ad, but the price of $2.75 is given, so I take it to be that.

H. D. WIEBE

Lodi, Calif.

[EDITOR'S NOTE: This was not an advertisement and readers have probably noted that the review was of an adverse character. We did not recommend Dr. Gossip's book. It is our policy to review books of all sorts in this column so that evangelicals will be familiar with all current religious books. If they know a book is unorthodox they are not likely to be misled into purchasing it.]

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NAE COMES OF AGE

JAMES DEFOREST MURCH

HICAGO 1948 showed definite "marks of maturity" for the National Association Evangelicals. The organization ıs "grown up" and is striking its ride as the most effective agency ır united evangelical action in merica.

Over a thousand evangelicals om all parts of the United States, any from Canada and other lands, ere in regular attendance May 3-6; ıme six hundred official delegates ere registered. At two of the vening sessions the auditorium in ongress Hotel was unable to ac-ommodate all those who came.

The convention opened on Monday night with the emphasis on youth.

Youth to the Fore

Dr. William A. ("Billy") Graham, president of Northwestern Schools, Minneapolis, Minn., and vice-president of Youth for Christ International, came to the convention fresh from an intensive tour of European countries. He reported a trend toward theological conservatism and Biblicism in Europe. He said European youth were hungry for the simple Gospel message and are responding in large numbers to the growing evangelical youth program.

"We are witnessing the sunset of western civilization and the end of freedom in preaching the Gospel of Christ unless a new generation thoroughly committed to its principles is raised up," said Dr. Graham. "The three gravest menaces faced by orthodox Christianity are Communism, Roman Catholicism and Mohammedanism."

Dr. Bob Jones, Jr., dealt with modern educational trends in the United States. "The present generation of youth is a betrayed generation," said Dr. Jones. "We have placed over the gates of our educational institutions the motto 'Ye shall know the truth and the truth shall

Center View of Audience in Gold Room Tuesday Night, Sixth Annual Convention, National Association of Evangelicals

make you free' and fostered a shameful compromise between humanism on the one hand and traditionalism on the other. We have crowded out the truth as it is in Christ Jesus and have encouraged our youth to do not what is right but what seems best under the circumstances."

He paid tribute to the phenomenal growth of hundreds of new evangelical colleges, theological seminaries and Bible institutes throughout the nation. Dr. Jones, himself a leader in this movement, heads Bob Jones University, Greenville, South Carolina, with a student body of 3,000. This institution recently completed the erection of a $3,000,000 unit of a great university plant.

Official Opening

Tuesday afternoon the convention was officially opened, heard the report of the Board of Administration and the keynote address, "Christians and the Faith for Freedom," by President R. L. Decker.

Dr. J. Elwin Wright acted as spokesman for the Board. He recounted some of the events of the five years during which the NAE has added new stones to the building whose foundations were so well laid in 1941. "The NAE has come a long way in these short five years," said Dr. Wright. We have proved that Christians of strong convictions and diverse backgrounds can meet and work together without compromise and yet with mutual love and respect for each other. We have proved that there are many areas in which we may cooperate without infringing on the work of the churches or embarrassing them by unauthorized pronouncements.

"It is inevitable that mistakes should have been made. It has been a unity in action achieved by a due allowance for a certain amount of trial and error. The gratifying thing about it is that we have stuck to our main objectives and we have stuck by each other. The experiences of these five years have served to greatly clarify the procedures and establish the boundaries between the functions of NAE and those which are, and should remain exclusively, the functions of the churches."

Dr. Wright pointed out that national headquarters offices of the NAE are maintained in Chicago. Regional offices are maintained in Boston, Minneapolis, Portland and Los Angeles, with full-time directors. Seven offices for specialized work are maintained—War Relief in New York City; Purchasing and Transportation, also in New York City; Chaplain Counselors for Industry, Newark, N. J.; Publication, Cincinnati, Ohio; National Sunday School Association, Chicago; National Association of Christian Schools, Chicago. Local committees maintain offices in such centers as Philadelphia and Chicago.

The speaker then outlined the accomplishments of the various commissions and affiliated agencies of the NAE which are detailed elsewhere in this issue.

In closing, Dr. Wright said, "The battle for spiritual unity among believers is still in its early stages. The accumulated prejudices of generations do not easily give way to understanding, unselfish consideration of all groups within the evangelical framework, and appreciation of the gravity of the issues which all of us face in common. There is, as yet, *insufficient* emphasis upon the fact of the much greater importance of those doctrines which we hold in common and *too great* emphasis upon our differences in secondary matters.

"There are still many who, while undoubtedly evangelical in conviction, would seemingly rather see the whole evangelical movement fail than extend the hand of Christian fellowship to anyone outside the limited circle of their own denomination or particular school of theology. This becomes more apparent and more tragic on the local level where there is so great need of consideration and forbearance on the part of leaders in their relations with each other.

"A paramount need of the Church today is the wise and statesmanlike leadership of men who will rise above petty bickering over differences that cannot be helped by argument. We need an all-out crusade for the unity for which Christ prayed before He went to the cross. It must, however, be a unity based on the Gospel if it is to succeed. The world is on fire, the sands of time are running out, and yet so many who profess to be evangelicals are content to place denominational prestige, or a religious career, ahead of loyalty to Christ, if such loyalty involves persecution and loss of standing with those who are in a position to bring political pressure to bear against them.

"The curtain of opportunity for the world-wide proclamation of t Gospel may have lifted for only brief interlude. We are in a wo filled with the gravest of apprehe sions that we may be witnessing this very decade the sunset of c modern civilization. This is inde the decade of decision for t Church of Jesus Christ. Of no ge eration since the crucifixion cou it be said of the Church so trut fully that without unity in respo to our common task we are de tined to be submerged.

"Evangelical cooperation has ma amazing progress in these sho years since NAE was organize There is no excuse for discourag ment but, on the contrary, eve cause for rejoicing and optimis But, with the passing of the da must come an increasing convicti of the urgency of our mission. Up our hearts lies heavily the burd of the task before us. The time short. Let us not use it for secon ary objectives. 'The night come when no man can work'."

Beginning the morning of M 3 the Board of Administration he continuous sessions, heard repor from its commissions and region secretaries. This Board consists some forty religious leaders repr senting the great constituency the NAE with its 1,300,000 acti members and its more than 3,000 000 represented through its affi ates.

Broad policies and methods f 1948-49 were agreed upon by t Board at Chicago and committ to the Executive Committee. Thr new denominations were accept into official affiliation, togeth with scores of single churches a organizations.

In the strong keynote messa of the convention President Deck made clear that the faith once f all delivered, the God-given reveal Christian faith, is the only fai sufficient for the stress of o times. The first installment of D Decker's address appears in th issue. Throughout the sessions the was constant emphasis on "T Faith for Freedom," which cons tuted the general theme of the e tire program.

Education Highlighted

Education was highlighted Tuesday night when Dr. Enock Dyrness, chairman of the Comm sion on Christian Educational Ins tutions, presided. Chief speaker w Dr. Wilbur M. Smith, editor

eloubet's Notes and member of the ıculty of the Fuller Theological eminary, Pasadena, Calif. In a ıasterly fashion Dr. Smith called ɔr educational freedom, but he did ɔt speak the language of modern berals. He indicated that the true reedom is to be found in Christ ıe Son of God and a Christian hilosophy of life. Only Christ, he ıid, can deliver men from the enavement of the evil one who is ɔw the prince of this world.

"America has dismissed God from ıuch of her educational life. Our upreme Court has banished Chrisanity from the halls of our public hools. Twenty-six millions enɔlled in state-controlled schools, ɔlleges and universities are withıt the living God and the Christ ho died for them. If we would lk about human bondage, here it ."

The California educator urged merica to cease seeking its leaderıip in men and institutions and ırn to faith in Christ.

The Sunday School was lauded s the key to Christian education f the child. The Church and Chrisan educational institutions were ıallenged to meet the educational eed for all of life. He called atntion to the rapid rise of evanelical educational institutions, many f which have come to maturity ıd are doing an effective job.

Public Affairs

A growing interest in public afıirs on the part of evangelicals as indicated in a mass meeting Vednesday night addressed by Rev. lyde W. Taylor, NAE's Washingɔn representative, and Dr. Claude . Watson, attorney-at-law in Los ngeles, Calif., and candidate for resident of the United States on ıe Prohibition Party ticket.

Mr. Taylor, speaking on the ıeme, "Behind the Scenes in Washıgton," revealed little-known inforıation concerning ecclesiastical lobıies and accused certain religious locs of unfair discrimination against vangelical Protestants. "NAE has one on record before Congress and nmigration authorities as favoring just and fair solution of the DP roblem. We know that of 800,000 ɔP's in Europe over sixty per cent re Roman Catholic, over twenty er cent are Jews, and only thirteen er cent are Protestant. We understand that some 200,000 of these vill enter the United States under ermissive legislation soon to be nacted by the Congress. Limited numbers are now coming over. Two weeks ago an official of a boat that docked in New York harbor reported that he brought over about seven hundred DP's under the regular immigration quota. A careful survey of the group revealed that about six hundred were Roman Catholic and about one hundred Jews but that not a single Protestant was on board. It appears to be impossible to discover who was to blame for this discrimination. Evangelicals are determined to continue their investigation of the situation until satisfactory controls are provided."

Summary of Achievements Reported at Chicago Convention

GENERAL

National headquarters moved to Chicago.

NAE membership has grown to include thirty-two denominations officially affiliated, hundreds of local churches and church organizations with a constituency of over 1,300,000. Through its affiliates and commissions NAE officially serves another 3,000,000 American evangelicals.

State, national and international government recognition being accorded. Washington office maintained with full-time Secretary of Public Affairs.

FOREIGN MISSIONS

More than eighty mission boards being served by Washington and New York offices.

Evangelical literature in Spanish being provided through central agency. Book stores being opened in Latin America.

Evangelical committees and councils being set up in foreign lands.

HOME MISSIONS

First permanent Commission on Home Missions set up. To begin operation at once.

RADIO BROADCASTING

All radio broadcasting networks now cooperating with NRB.

Satisfactory agreements reached with NAB regarding Radio Code.

Television Committee appointed and plans laid for enlarged services to broadcasters.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

New Uniform Bible Lessons now being used by more than 1,000,000 pupils.

Commissions being set up in all phases of Sunday School work to serve growing constituency.

WAR RELIEF

Food and clothing worth $3,000,000 distributed by evangelical centers in fifteen countries in Europe.

Enlarged services planned for 1948-49.

EVANGELICAL YOUTH

National office established in Minneapolis, Minn. Part-time secretary employed.

Research commissions at work.

Plans formulated for a national Evangelical Youth Congress.

LAY ORGANIZATIONS

Women's Fellowship and Laymen's Advisory Council officially set up in Chicago. Plans adopted for enlisting members and establishing local chapters throughout the nation.

EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS

National Association of Christian Schools opened new offices in Chicago. Mr. Mark Fakkema and Miss Elizabeth Evans chosen as secretaries. Christian day school promotion at new high.

Committee on Christian Philosophy of Education will publish extensive report in 1949.

Accrediting agencies for Bible institutes and colleges functioning.

COUNSELLORS FOR INDUSTRY

Development of scientific and business literature to educate industry and labor as to the Commission's program.

INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

Close contacts formed with Evangelical World Alliance.

International Conference of Evangelicals meets in Lausanne, Switzerland August 10-12.

Mr. Taylor scored the Truman administration for continuing to involve USA in the political life of Italy and the Roman Catholic hierarchy. "Through Mr. Myron Taylor, the President's personal representative at the Vatican, and our government's intimate relationship with the Vatican the people of Europe are convinced that the USA is bent on promoting and safeguarding papal interests." Mr. Taylor continued, "We have spent millions of dollars for relief in Italy, all of which has been directly handled by the Vatican with only minor exceptions. We have it on good authority in Italy that not one bit of relief from the Friendship Train that reached Italy was given to Protestants. With the recent drive to keep the Christian democratic party in power our State Department asked Italians to vote for a leadership which to a large degree is the same that received papal benediction under Mussolini. Protestants in Italy know the Vatican as their persecutors. This very year in Italy Protestants have been murdered in cold blood by clergy-inspired mobs. Protestants who were innocently holding an open air service were stoned, shot and six placed in jail without trial and deprived of all help. This very year over one hundred and fifty Protestant churches in Italy were closed by order of a Vatican-dominated government. Those churches are open today. The prisoners are free and greater liberty prevails at the moment because the National Association of Evangelicals and other Protestant agencies demanded action of our State Department and of the Italian Embassy."

Dr. Watson made a plea for American freedom based on the fundamental principles of the Christian faith: "While we still enjoy civil and religious freedom under guarantees of our Constitution, recent years have seen this freedom restricted and in some places abolished. Along with this has grown a new expression of intolerance wholly foreign to America. To those who have enjoyed the rights and privileges of religious freedom such inhibitions are reprehensible and in violation of their 'most cherished rights."

"While we are committed to the principle of the separation of church and state," continued Dr. Watson, "we must not be unmindful of the large and indispensable place religion occupies in securing to us the coveted privileges of life. Doubtless Washington had this in mind when he affirmed that morality and religion are the sure props of civil government. We need to be reminded in such days as these that civil and religious liberty rise or fall together. They are intimately related and are inseparable. However we may differ in the expression of our religious convictions, we may find in our common recognition of the Fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man a tie that binds us together in unity of aim and purpose and makes us as a people strong to resist forces that seek to impair our unity or to deflect us from our chosen course. As a nation we lay no arrogant claim to impeccability. We have been guilty of departing from the path of rectitude, but where we have been true to our spiritual ideals, where we have observed with consistency our pledged faith, we have earned the commendation and praise of men and the favor and blessing of Almighty God. To survive the perils of this tragic period calls for something other than the cleverness of statesmen or the genius and cunning of economists. If we follow in the way of other nations that have abandoned the paths of virtue and the sound practices of a religious habit and obedience to Christian precepts, we shall find ourselves incapable of sustaining these ideals of freedom that guarantee to us life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness."

In closing, Dr. Watson delineated "the true sphere of Christian politics. It is to save America from that ruin which inevitably follows apostasy from the laws of God and the sacrifice of moral obligations to material interests. Is any war, or peace, or traffic, or acquisition, or measure of any kind morally wrong? If so it cannot be politically right. We must anchor our politics to the rock of righteousness, not to the shifting sands of supposed public interest and it will hold firm amidst the changing tides of popular opinion."

Lay Leadership

To date the leadership and program of the NAE have been in the hands of ministers and other professional Christian workers. Chicago took advance ground, organizing the laity for active participation in NAE affairs. Two new organizations were set up. Mr. Seth A. Rohrer, Elkhart, Ind., manufacturer, heads the Laymen's Advisory Council and Mrs. Leslie Marston, Greenville, Ill., the W en's Fellowship. Plans were by both organizations for an tensive nation-wide recruiting development campaign during coming year.

World Vision

Delegates were thrilled Thurs afternoon by the masterly add of Dr. Harold J. Ockenga, f president of the NAE and pa of the historic Park Street Chu in Boston. Dr. Ockenga was NA representative in an official tour Europe sponsored by the Un States Government and brought convention fresh, confidential formation concerning world affa

The message was prefaced by analytical review of post-Ren sance cultural and political devel ment in Europe. Against this ba ground Dr. Ockenga painted a ture of the moral and spiritual, e nomic and political, tragedy wh constitutes a call to America generous and immediate aid. effectively analyzed Commun and Roman Catholicism — the chief menaces hindering the reb of Europe. He spoke encouragin concerning the relief work be done by American churches, par ularly that of the War Relief Co mission of the NAE; the sweep victories of Youth for Christ am the rising generation, and the velopment of a political faith theology in Protestantism. He be ly declared that liberalism was d so far as Europe was concern inasmuch as the people were c vinced that their terrible trials w basically due to their abandonm of the evangelical faith.

Dr. Ockenga counseled a toler attitude toward the World Cou of Churches, at least until such t as it may demonstrate its ina quacy, but at the same time ur that evangelicals in Europe con and if necessary organize to p tect "the faith for freedom" their lands.

Election of Officers

Dr. Stephen W. Paine, presid of Houghton College, Houghton, Y., former vice-president of NA and active in its counsels from beginning, was elected by the c vention on Thursday afternoon be the Association's new presid for 1948-49. Dr. Frederick C. F ler, Pittsburgh, Pa., was named f vice-president; Dr. Don H. Hou holder, Los Angeles, Calif., sec

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CHRISTIANS AND THE FAITH FOR FREEDOM*

R. L. DECKER

THE Faith for Freedom is a theme appropriate for this gathering of evangelical leaders epresenting millions of believers n over fifty different American enominations. It is also timely. THE Faith confessed in our NAE tatement of Faith is re-emerging n the modern mind as the vital ore of Christianity. Moreover, THE Faith "once for all delivered," he God-given, revealed faith is the nly faith sufficient for the stress f our times. Evangelicals have alvays known this. Our insistence on his point has earned us some nasty ounding names but being called fanatics," "religious fools" and narrow minded dogmatists" places s in very good company, we think. So we press on in the footsteps of Paul and Augustine and Luther and Calvin and Wesley proud to be nown as believers in and bearers f the good news that Christ died or our sins according to the Scripures and that He was buried and hat He rose again the third day ccording to the Scriptures.

There is another sense in which his theme is timely. It is time America—and the world for that natter—should be reminded that Freedom is the fruit of Faith! Uncounted thousands of men and women who in their youth and early naturity at the close of World War I eagerly expected the dawn of freedom's day in their own lands, n our day have died in disillusioned lismay upon the battlefield, in the ombed out cities and in the concentration camps on the very soil once reddened with the blood of men who died to make the world safe for democracy. The "Four Freeloms" Mr. Roosevelt enunciated with such hopeful enthusiasm seven short years ago are mentioned only n wistful whispers now.

Freedom is one of man's most precious possessions partly because it is just about his rarest. John T. Flynn estimates in *The Epic of Freedom* that "ninety-nine and one-half per cent of all the human beings who have peopled the earth in the last 2,000 years have lived as the slaves or subjects of someone else." Those who are included in the one-half of one per cent who have enjoyed freedom are mainly Americans. We do not realize how rare freedom is, historically or contemporaneously. Freedom's greatest enemy is not something sinister in itself. It is the easily understandable urge for security. Often a choice must be made between freedom and what seems to be security. The long struggle for freedom would probably have been a shorter struggle and a more glorious one if men had not so often chosen what seemed to them a sure security instead of uncertain freedom. Actually genuine freedom in society tends to produce better security from the largest number over the longest period of time, but that is sometimes hard to see for a man who has but one life to live, and that without benefit of the historian's perspective.

Freedom is never absolute. It is always relative. When one is offered freedom he will do well to inquire, "Freedom *from* what? Freedom *for what?* and Freedom *or* what?"

An evaluation of freedom reveals there is a false freedom for men and nations which deprives them of the genuine. The citizen of this country is legally free to drink but the exercise of this freedom is likely to plunge him into alcohol's slavery. As the Oriental proverb puts it, "First the man takes a drink, then the drink takes a drink and then the drink takes the man." Hitler promised the Germans freedom from the oppressions of the allied nations, economic freedom, and extended "living room." He made good those promises up to a certain point. But it was a false freedom. We are reminded of the old fable of the sadist tyrant who filled a dark dungeon with his enemies and kept them there until they were almost crazed with the darkness and fear of torture. Suddenly he announced every man would be free who would run all the way up a stairway at the top of which they could see an opening where the sun shone in. They rushed with one mighty effort up the stairs for their freedom in the sun and dropped to their death in the open moat underneath the open door while the tyrant stood by laughing at his own deceit.

Freedom is spiritual. All genuine freedom comes from a spiritual source even though its sphere may be social or political and its institutions may be solidly material.

America's freedom is the direct fruit of a great spiritual concept—the fact that man is the creation of a personal God who endowed His creature with certain inalienable rights. The Declaration of Independence is introduced by this statement—

We hold these truths to be self evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain

NAE ON THE AIR

The National Association of Evangelicals will again be on the national radio networks this spring and summer. Dr. Theodore H. Elsner, chairman of the NAE Commission on Radio, announces the following schedule:

On the MUTUAL network Friday June 4 and 11.

On the ABC network Saturdays June 5 to August 28.

Evangelicals throughout the land are asked to contact their radio stations belonging to these chains asking when the program will be aired locally. If not scheduled, evangelicals should take united action to secure time.

Further announcements will appear later.

*The keynote address at the official opening of the sixth annual convention of the National Association of Evangelicals, Chicago, May 3-6. The general theme of the program was "The Faith for Freedom."

inalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty, and the pursuit of Happiness. That to secure these rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed.

Modern interpretation puts all the emphasis upon such phrases as "life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness" and magnifies "the consent of the governed" until the underlying conception of creation is covered up. This is the mischief of modernism. It opens the door to collectivism which is essentially the choice of economic security instead of genuine freedom. The collectivist state cannot function unless the executive element in its government is stronger than and dominates the legislative and the judicial elements. That means dictatorship and dictatorship destroys freedom.

Thus the totalitarian state and the doctrine of creation are utterly incompatible. Mussolini was agnostic and only recognized religion for expediency's sake. Hitler was frankly anti-Christian and replaced the true Creator-Redeemer God of the Bible with the gods of race and soil. Stalin is avowedly anti-God as well as anti-Christian. To these regimes man is not the creature of God accountable to his Maker. He is not an immortal soul. He is a mere unit in the all-important State. Therefore, morals, in the Christian sense, are meaningless. Man owes no consideration to man as a person according to this theory. If one is inclined to doubt the vital importance of the Biblical doctrine of Creation and human accountability to God let him remember Buchenwald and all the other concentration camps! The smoke of the crematories and the stench of decaying human flesh from the mass graves is the incense of the religion of the godless.

Says Walter Lippman:

What separates us from the totalitarian regimes, is our belief that man does not belong to the State but to his Creator—and being an immortal soul, he is possessed of inalienable rights, rights as a person, which no power on earth has the right to violate. This is the forgotten foundation of democracy in the only sense in which democarcy is truly valid and of liberty, in the only sense in which it can hope to endure. The decay of decency in the modern age, the rebellion against law and good faith, the treatment of human beings as things, as the mere instruments of power and ambition, is, beyond doubt, the consequence of the decay of belief in man as something more than an animal animated by highly conditioned reflexes and chemical reactions. Unless man is more than that, he has no rights that anyone is bound to respect, and there are no limitations upon his conduct which he is bound to obey.

Freedom is both the foundation and the goal of that form of government of the people by the people and for the people which we call Democracy. If Democracy is to endure men must be free. The franchise must be extended as widely as possible. No one segment of the population can allow its particular group interests to exclude from their thoughts and actions the welfare of the whole community. The citizens must be able to trust one another for each bears a share in the administration of the affairs which affect them all. In a democracy the individual citizen, every individual citizen must be a person of good character for when his character fails the whole community must pay for that failure. Here is a man whose character fails. He is dishonest in business. His creditors have to pay. They add their losses to the prices they charge others. So the whole community pays in money. But his family has to pay. His home is broken. The wife is the mother of several children. She must earn the living her husband should be earning. Whilst she does, the children are deprived of normal home life. Unsupervised they develop habits which eventually cause them to transgress the rights of others and the community must pay for their misdeeds—so the circle of evil influence widens and the group is increased who will not be worthy of the trust of their fellow men. Unless men can believe in each other they can not make democracy work. When they lose faith in each other they resort to all sorts of undemocratic procedures. They fall back upon the use of force in their dealings with each other. Not always physical force but there are forms of force, social pressure, economic pressure, business boycotts and other types of persecution even more formidable than physical force. Whenever these are resorted to democracy is weakened by just that much loss of faith by man in man. When men do not trust one another they are not willing for one another to be free. The employer does not trust his employees so he surrounds them with the restraints of regulations. The employees do not trust their employers and so they form "unions" and make their regulations to restrain their employers from taking advantage of them and then, discovering how effective t "strike" has been in causing t management to accede to their d mands and what a politically pote force the "labor vote" is suppos to be, some unscrupulous leade have exploited labor by demagogu methods. This increases the te sion between groups in society a emphasizes the loss of faith in m by man. Meanwhile all of us b come daily more dependent up all the rest of us by reason of t increasing mechanization of the pr cesses of living as the result technological advance. The ne for freedom from this situation underlined by the fact that rig now a nation of one hundred fo million people could be render virtually helpless to carry on its c dinary business of living by o group of laborers refusing to to their daily tasks over a peri of time. This is but one illustr tion of how our "special interest have divided us into groups betwe which there is increasing tensio as each group struggles to prote its "rights" and advance its "caus in a great commonwealth.

There are various possibilities the proposed plans to relieve the tensions. Practically every gro appears to feel that if they cou reach their objectives — no matt how inimical they are to the r of the population—the whole pro lem would be solved. For examp labor seems to feel that high wag combined with low prices will the trick. Industry appears to cla that moderate wages with wide ma gins of profit will make things co out just right. The Communi want enough confusion to create revolution resulting in liquidati of everybody but the proletari Some white people appear to w they could send all the colored po ulation back to Africa and the mo radical colored want to solve t problem by erasing the color li The Roman Catholic hierarchy see sure that all would be well America became another "Cathol country and we are persuaded t the temples on the hills of this f land should retain their fair share meaning a majority—of Protest meeting houses.

(To Be Continued)

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A mind through which Christ think
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The EVANGELICAL NEWSFRONT

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—UNITED ACTION—

AE Moves Forward In Philadelphia Area

PHILADELPHIA.—April saw a de-led forward movement in this area r the program of the National As-ciation of Evangelicals. The Region-Conference in Town Hall April 4-6 is the outstanding event.

It was preceeded by the Word of fe Rally in Convention Hall led by ck Wyrtzen. This mammoth audi-rium which has seldom been filled r a religious event was jammed to e guards. The NAE banquet sche-led for this night was cancelled and ery effort was made to assure the ccess of this great demonstration of angelical strength in Philadelphia.

Dr. Clyde W. Taylor, NAE's Wash-gton representative, thrilled the ass meeting in Town Hall Sunday ternoon with his address, "Behind e Scenes in Washington." So deep is the impression made that Dr. ylor was later invited to repeat the dress before the Ministerial Associa-n of all Philadelphia in its largest eeting in months. Both morning and ening NAE leaders and pastors oke in a number of Philadelphia lpits.

On Monday and Tuesday afternoons pular seminars were held in Town all on World-wide Missions, Chris-n Education, World Relief, Gospel oadcasting, the Chaplaincy and urch Financing. Among the speak-s and conference leaders were Dr. dney M. Correll, Dayton, Ohio; Rev. uben Larson, Quito, Ecuador; Miss riam Bracken, Los Angeles, Calif.; . Stephen W. Paine, Houghton, N. ; Miss Elizabeth Evans, Boston, ass.; Dr. James DeForest Murch, ncinnati, Ohio; Dr. J. Elwin Wright, ston, Mass.; Mr. Frank D. Lom-r, New York; Dr. Theodore H. sner, Philadelphia; Bishop Hubert T. ence, Washington, D. C.; Dr. George Warner, Chicago, Ill.; Mr. W. J. nderson, New York City and others. angelicals of the Philadelphia were azed as the range and effectiveness the growing NAE program.

Dr. Harold J. Ockenga, pastor of e Park Street Church, Boston gave magnificent address Monday night. reported concerning his recent trip Europe under the auspices of the ited States government as official presentative of the NAE. For more an an hour and a half he held his dience spellbound. On Tuesday ght Dr. H. H. Savage, pastor of the st Baptist Church, Pontiac, Mich., d nationally-known as Christ-for-nerica evangelist, stirred his listen-s to a more aggressive service for rist. President R. L. Decker spoke nday night and at several other times increasing the respect of evangelicals for the growing work of the Association.

As one result of the conference the Philadelphia area was more effectively organized. Rev. Robert M. Anderson has been called as full-time executive secretary and a central office has been opened. Much credit for the success of the event goes to the Committee consisting of Rev. George Vorsheim, Jr., president; Rev.Walter T. Riemann, vice president; Rev. Henry H. Heerschap, secertary and Mr. Thomas W. Roop, treasurer.

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Upper Midwest Area Calls New Secretary

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn.—The Upper Midwest Area of the NAE has a new regional secretary—Rev. John W. Walkup, who came to this office from the Dayton's Bluff Baptist Church, St. Paul. He succeeds Dr. Wm. H. Lee Spratt who resigned to accept the pastorate of Judson Memorial Church, Denver, Colo.

Mr. Walkup, who received his Christian training in Chicago, has been active in many phases of Christian work and promotion. He was instrumental is starting the Youth for Christ in St. Paul and also organized the High School Christian Fellowship Clubs there. He originated a unique plan for promoting better homes in these days of juvenile delinquency called the "Christian Home Crusade" (UEA April 15).

Mr. Walkup is in demand as a soloist and song leader. He is now available for speaking at conferences, rallies, and for evangelism and Bible teaching in the Upper Midwest Area.

Annual Meeting Held by Upper Midwest Area NAE

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn.—Music by the Bethel College and Seminary students of St. Paul and a message from "the Moody of China," Dr. Leland Wong, will be featured in an evening rally climaxing the Annual Meeting of the NAE Upper Midwest Area in First Baptist Church, Minneapolis, May 17.

Afternoon sessions beginning at 3:00 p. m. will include reports of the National Convention and Area activities with Rev. Arley Bragg, area president, presiding. John W. Walkup, successor to Dr. Wm. H. Lee Spratt will be introduced as the new executive secretary, and will give the report of services performed by the Upper Midwest Area office during the year. Elections will conclude the afternoon sessions.

Evangelical Editors Plan Organization

CHICAGO—Editors representing thirty-five denominations gathered in Chicago today to consider the organization of an evangelical press association. Their journals have a combined circulation of over three million.

At the conclusion of their deliberations a temporary organization was set up with a Continuation Committee consisting of Dr. H. J. Kuiper, *The Banner*, Grand Rapids, Mich., chairman; Rev. Hart R. Armstrong, editor of church school publications, Gospel Publishing House, Springfield, Mo., secretary; Mr. Claude C. Pannabecker, *Gospel Banner*, South Bend, Ind., treasurer; Rev. Martin Erikson, *The Baptist Standard*, Chicago, Ill.; Mr. Robert Walker, *Christian Life*, Chicago, Ill., and Dr. James DeForest Murch, *United Evangelical Action*, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Membership will consist of editors of official church periodicals, Sunday school journals, interdenominational newspapers and magazines, and specialized periodicals in the field of missions, youth, education, etc. Publishers of periodicals will also be included.

The first official meeting will probably be held in Chicago a year hence. At that time a constitution will be adopted. A tentative name was adopted—The Evangelical Press Association. The organization will offer inspiration, fellowship, technical advice, syndicated services, and will encourage united action in public affairs.

—PUBLIC AFFAIRS—

Woman With Ten Children Is Named American Mother

NEW YORK—(RNS)—Mrs. Helen Gartside Hines, sixty, of Springfield, Ill., was named the American Mother of the Year by the Golden Rule Foundation here.

A member of the Springfield school board, Mrs. Hines has ten children, several of whom are listed in *Who's Who*. She is married to Herbert Waldo Hines, director of the Institute of In-

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ternational Understanding for Rotary International.

Mrs. Hines married soon after her graduation from Mt. Holyoke and Radcliff. She then proceeded to put into practice her own advocacy of the idea that people of education, culture and leadership capacity should have large families. Nine of her children saw service in World War II.

Anti-Vatican Volume Published in Italy

ROME—(RNS)—A volume containing "secret documents" showing the Vatican has consistently violated its claims to political neutrality, especially during the past three years, has appeared here and is being widely heralded.

The book contains 558 pages and appears to have been printed in Lugano, Switzerland. It quotes from Vatican documents dated October 15, 1945 to March 11, 1948.

A perface states the quotations are being published "to prove that the Holy See, instead of remaining neutral and trying to work as a mediator, contributed with all its strength to aggravate tension, increase hatred, and stimulate antagonisms between conflicting parties in Italy."

"It is hoped," the preface declared, "that the publication of these documents showing the true relations between the present Prime Minister of Italy and the Holy See will open the eyes of political leaders all over the world, and thus result in the radical separation of religious and political powers."

State Upholds Gift To Canisius College

BUFFALO, N. Y.—The court of the Appellate Division Third Department of New York has rendered a negative decision in the case of Henry Adsit Bull of Buffalo against the State. Mr. Bull sought a judicial declaration that the expenditures of $128,000 of state money for the remodeling of the Sisters Hospital Building belonging to Canisius College Roman Catholic institution, is a violation of the New York State constitution.

The next step in this legal fight which seeks to establish the principle of separation of Church and State will be to appeal to the Court of Appeals, where the appeal can be argued in May and a decision will be due the middle of July. This decision would be final as the U. S. Supreme Court has regularly refused to review the state court's construction of its own state constitution.

Memorial Stamp to Honor Chaplains

WASHINGTON, D. C.— (RNS) —A memorial postage stamp in honor of four Army chaplains who were killed in World War II will soon be issued here by the Post Office Department.

The stamp will commemorate the four—Protestant, Roman Catholic and Jewish—who went down with the sinking U.S.S. Dorchester when the transport was torpedoed in the north Atlantic in 1943.

The chaplains were George L. Fox of Cambridge, Vt., a Methodist; Clark V. Poling, of Philadelphia, a Baptist; Joh P. Washington of Newark, N. J., a Ro man Catholic; and Alexander D. Good of York, Pa., a Jew.

A spokesman for the Post Office De partment said that such a stamp a this time would be in the interest o peace and religious tolerance.

Christian Philosophy of Government Formulated

LOS ANGELES, Calif.—In a recen statement issued by the National R form Association of Southern Cal fornia the following Christian philos phy of government was formulated:

1. Civil government is an ordinance God, and civil rulers in its design are min ters of God. Rom. 13:1-6. The nation therefo exercises an authority that comes ultimat from God.

2. The Bible belongs to the State as much to the Church and is the divinely appoint guide-book for civil rulers. The Bible the fore gives law for national as well as individual and ecclesiastical life.

3. Government must operate on so consistent underlying philosophy, either secu or Christian. Since the United States Supre Court, in a unanimous decision handed do in February 1892, declared this to be a Chr tian nation, the only logical constitutional ba for government in this country is Christi not secular, not atheistic. This would not be union of Church and State.

4. The Bible was the main instrument making the United States "the land of free" and a refuge for persecuted minori of other lands. Therefore no group in name of individual liberty has the right deprive the nation of its Charter of Fr dom.

5. The Bible is the only suitable text-b for forming moral character. Moral chara is essential to good citizenship. The Bible unsectarian and the reading of it in class rooms of our public schools is in per accord with Amendment I of the Fede Constitution.

RADIO

Permits Granted to Church Groups for Radio Stations

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn.—(RNS Religious radio programs will be c ried into the homes of an increas number of Northwest residents as result of action by the Federal Co munications Commission. Permits operate four new radio stations Minneapolis have been granted by FCC to a church and two church-lated groups.

With authorization to operate 1,000-watt transmitting power, KB has become the first church-ow FM radio station in the Greater T Cities area. The station is owned Bethesda Free church, of which Rev. H. B. Prince is pastor. Opera as a regular commercial station, KB will feature "public interest" progra classical and semi-classical mus high school sports and religious p grams.

Permission to operate a 5,000-w standard daytime station has b granted to Family Broadcasting Co a newly-organized firm affiliated w

Hospitality House Christian cen-
. This station also will be operated
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nted to religious groups.

orld Radio Broadcast Observes Anniversary

OMAHA, Neb.—The twenty-fifth
niversary of the World Radio Con-
gation broadcast under the direc-
n of Dr. R. R. Brown was celebrated
e recently with a week-end of
cial services in Omaha Gospel Ta-
nacle.

n paying tribute to Dr. Brown
l his Sunday morning broadcast,
. John J. Gillin, president and mana-
of WOW, said, "It is with great
de that WOW is able to congratu-
e the Dean of Religious Broadcas-
s upon a quarter of a century of
io ministry over WOW. The first
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WOAW, April 8, 1923, was the first
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adcast in America."

About five hundred persons at-
ded the anniversary dinner. Honor-
e Val Peterson, Governor of Ne-
ska, and Mayor Charles W. Leeman
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m Charles E. Fuller, Walter A.
ier, Senator K. S. Wherry and oth-
Two thousand people attended the
ing session of the week-end ser-
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MISSIONS

me of Onesiphorus Buys New China Home

HICAGO.—The Home of Onesi-
rus, a missionary home and train-
center for needy children, in Taian,
na, has recently purchased an ad-
onal home in Tsinan, according to
A. Lundmark, general director and
sident of the home.

he new branch home, costing $6,000
merican money, includes a group of
dings containing forty rooms, a
e room for chapel services and, in
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and training about 100 and possibly
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uring the past thirty-two years the
e of Onesiphorus has trained more
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ght the way of salvation and how
ive a successful Christian life, be-
s the regular literary training and
ade. Many graduates have become
nent leaders in Chinese religious
secular life. A recent survey deter-
ed that 95 per cent of their students became successful in their Christian lives and in their chosen professions.

Offering of $170,000 Received for Missions

TORONTO—Nearly 8,000 people were present on each of the three Sundays of the Twenty-fifth Annual Missionary Convention of the Peoples Church, April 4-18. The Convention offering totaled $170,000, the largest ever received in the history of the work.

Rev. Peter Deyneka helped Dr. Oswald Smith, pastor of Peoples Church, to read the amounts, as they were pledged by the enthusiastic audience. Choruses were sung from time to time, either by the vast congregation or the quintet. There was no begging for funds. The giving was spontaneous and spiritual throughout. Altogether 1,910 contributed, promising to send their gifts month by month. Over fifty undertook the full personal support of a missionary. The Peoples Church is responsible for the personal support of some 240 missionaries on twenty-four fields, under thirty faith missions. A dozen new Canadian workers will be sent out within the next few weeks.

Latin Americans To Hold Congress

SAN JOSE, Costa Rica—The Latin America Mission observes the twenty-fifth anniversary of the founding of its Seminario Bíblico by holding an international congress of Christian workers in San José, from July 11 to 18. Pastors, evangelists and missionaries from most of the Latin American countries will attend, likewise many guests from the United States and Canada.

The congress comes at a critical moment in the history of Latin America. Keynote of the convention is "Christ for a Continental Crisis", and highlights the urgency of the Christian's task. The delegates will come prepared to band themselves together to look for a new vision of the task ahead, and an endowment of spiritual power to accomplish it.

Running concurrently with the congress will be an evangelistic campaign designed to reach the Costa Rican public. The special speaker is Dr. Angel Archilla Cabrera, a leading evangelical of Puerto Rico. He is returning to Costa Rica for the first time since 1928 when he held evangelistic services which thousands attended and in which over 600 people made profession of faith in Christ. Prayer for extensive revival in Latin America is backing these meetings.

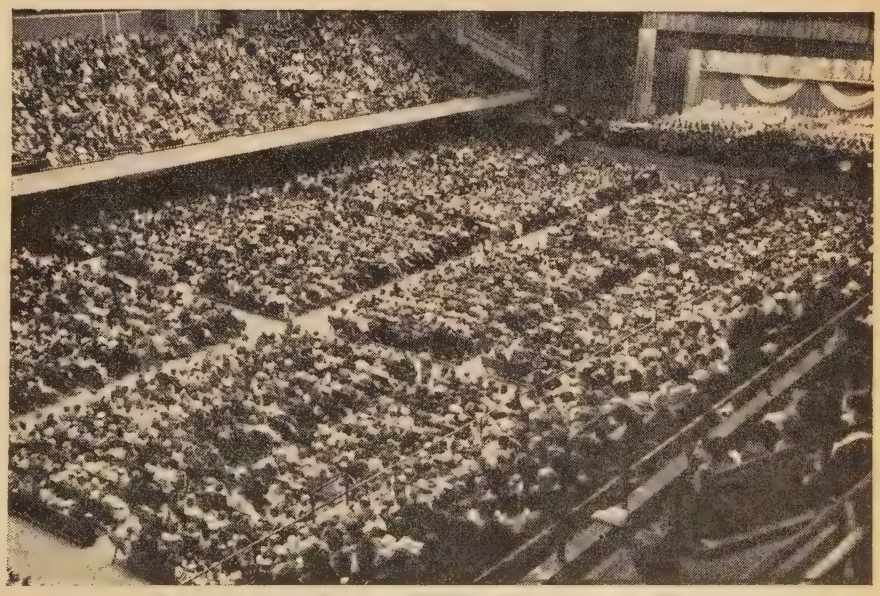
ASSEMBLIES

Rumney Conferences Scheduled for Summer

RUMNEY, N. H.—Under the sponsorship of New England Fellowship of Evangelicals, Rumney Bible Conferences for various groups will be held this year from July 3 to August 30. Youth Conferences are scheduled for July 3-30; Camps—Cathedral Pines for girls and Camp Pineridge for boys, July 3-August 28 (for two-, four-, six-, or eight week periods); Pastors' Conference, July 31-August 6; General Conferences, August 7-13, and Christian Men and Women's Conference, August 21-30.

Directors of the Youth Conferences will be Rev. George McNeill, Middleboro, Mass., and Walter Smyth, Philadelphia; of the Pastor's Conferences, Rev. Carlton Helgerson, Woburn, Mass.; General Conferences, Dr. J. Elwin Wright, president of New England Fellowship; Christian Men's and Women's Conferences—Paul Young for the men and Miss Elizabeth M. Evans, Mrs. Clarence S. Roddy and Miss Rose H. Phillips for the women.

Among the many outstanding leaders and speakers for the Conferences are



"WORD OF LIFE" RALLY JAMS PHILADELPHIA'S CONVENTION HALL

Record gathering (UEA, April 15) hears Jack Wyrtzen and other celebrities when evangelicals in "City of Brotherly Love" unite in great demonstration.

UEA EDITORIAL

MURCH:

The NAE Comes of Age

UNQUESTIONABLY the greatest convention of the National Association of Evangelicals was held in Chicago May 3-6. The NAE has come of age!

There was every evidence of maturity in the addresses, the conferences, the reports received, the program mapped for next year. Elsewhere in this issue we have attempted to convey a somewhat detailed picture of the gathering to our readers but actual attendance and participation would have been necessary to fully appreciate the achievement of Chicago.

It was a joy to meet representatives from practically every state of the Union. They had smiles on their faces. They told of victories for Christ and the Church. There was less of criticism and pessimism than we ever saw or heard in any gathering of evangelicals. All were "happy in the service of the King."

Scores of meetings representing every phase of the NAE program were on in the morning hours. The conference rooms were uniformly crowded with eager listeners. In the business sessions the reports thrilled us with their record of accomplishments. In the discussions on policy and program the spirit of unity prevailed. When seemingly insurmountable problems were considered these groups would naturally drop to their knees for a season of prayer looking to God for the leadership of the Holy Spirit. Leaders spoke and counselled with years of experience behind them and their words were accepted as wise and true. Fine Christian strategy was evident in plans for the future. While many details were discussed the over all task of the church was held supreme and each undertaking was treasured by the plumb line of God's will.

The mass meetings in the Gold Room were uniformly well attended whether for prayer and devotional messages or for the great inspirational addresses. On two occasions the hall was inadequate to accommodate those who came. How we sang! How we prayed! How we listened! How we were stirred!

We sensed a consciousness on the part of those in attendance of the broad and imperative mission of the NAE. The convention was thinking and acting in terms of evangelicalism as a whole. It saw by faith the day when all those who believe in the deity of Christ and the authority of the Holy Scriptures will be marching together in a mighty army for united evangelical action. It comported itself in a manner which commended the NAE to the thousands who are yet out of its fold.

We had the opportunity of meeting with small groups of men who were "spying out the land" for their denominations or organizations. Without exception they were deeply and favorably impressed and were carrying back reports to headquarters which may well result in affiliations. Such effects could not have resulted if a narrow, bigoted, provincial or sectarian spirit had characterized the leadership, the program or the messages.

It may as well be admitted that in the beginnings of the NAE there were many diverse elements which had little or no experience in Christian cooperation. Evangelicals had been branded as trouble makers, negative in viewpoint, isolationists and Pharisees. Many of these criticisms were not only untrue but un-Christian but, as far as the Christian world was concerned, it remained to be demonstrated that evangelicals were capable of resolving their differences, dwelling together in unity and furnishing leadership to orthodox Christianity. Chicago was that demonstration. We have shown that it can be done and as a result we stand on the threshold of a great day of forward march.

God is leading! Let us rejoice and praise His Name!

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RIMMER:

"So Is Syphilis"

SEVERAL years ago Chevrolet featured advertising centered around the slogan, "Drive it only five miles and you'll never be satisfied with any other low priced car." Millions of dollars were spent selling this idea to the American public, and gradually its effectiveness became apparent as the sale of Chevrolets eased ahead of other cars in that price field. At this point, Ford came out with an advertisement that rocked the automobile world—with laughter. It read, "Even a camel is comfortable for the first five miles. Try it all day and see how you feel."

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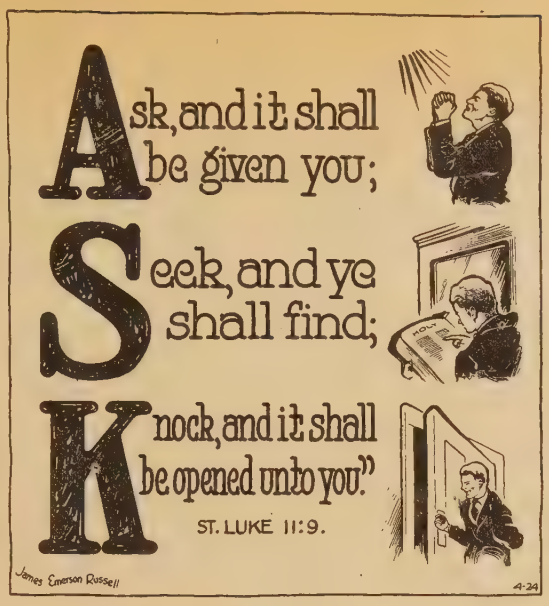

Courtesy Cincinnati Enquirer

Precious Prayer Promises

lack of discrimination, lack of self control, etc. Even more important, it strikes at the root of the matter. In radio, stage, screen, and cartoons, the drunk is used as an easy laugh. As long as this prevails, many otherwise sound forms of temperance propaganda will fall flat on their faces. The amusement industry is one of the giants of our economy and it is senseless for the temperance movement to stand toe to toe and try to slug it out. Some concrete walls that could not be cracked with 100 lbs. of TNT could be easily undermined with only ten. Drunks on the movie screen will rapidly cease to be funny when drunkeness and syphilis are similar diseases in the minds of the public.

If this attitude can be instilled in just one generation of American youth, the problems of alcohol—drunk driving, packed insane asylums, and the drunk tanks of over-crowded jails will be on their way out. This can be accomplished without any costly legal battles. Start the campaign in your community now and let it be financed automatically by the liquor industries own publicity.

The next time someone tells you alcoholism is a disease say, "So is syphilis."

POTPOURRI

In spite of "progress and prosperity in America" there are still two million boys and girls fourteen through seventeen years at work in factories, restaurants, stores, street trades, industrialized agriculture, and other occupations. Many even of the fourteen and fifteen year olds have left school and are full time workers. It is a shameful fact that the Eightieth Congress of the United States *cut* appropriations by more than fifty per cent for the Federal child labor program including enforcement of the child labor provisions of the Fair Labor Standards Act.

One of the newspaper advertise-ments which the Knights of Columbus is sponsoring makes the familiar Romish claim that Matthew 16:16-18 ("Upon this rock I will build My church") is the divine foundation for the Roman papacy. *The Lutheran Witness* takes up this claim and refutes it out of the mouths of the Romanists themselves. Dr. W. G. Pollack, writer of the article, quotes from a Roman Catholic book, *Quaestio*, that examines the opinions of eighty-five church fathers on this subject, "Of these, eight interpreted the word 'rock' . . . as meaning all the Apostles collectively. . . . Sixteen fathers held that our Lord meant Himself as the 'rock'; forty-four fathers interpreted the 'rock' as the faith which Peter confessed; and seventeen applied it to Peter. Out of the eighty-five fathers quoted, sixty-eight rejected the Roman claim." And of those church fathers who rejected the Roman interpretation now being advertised by the K. of C., two, Leo, bishop of Rome, and Gelasius, bishop of Rome, are "honored to this day by the Roman Church as great popes." Pope Leo I, with whom the papacy really began in the middle of the fifth century, spoke of Peter's "faith" and "confession" as that on which Christ promised to raise up an everlasting temple." Similarly, Pope Gelasius wrote: "The gates of hell shall never prevail against the *confession* of the blessed Peter." Tertullian of Carthage, Origen of Alexandria, Cyprian of Carthage, Hilary of Poitiers, Ambrose of Milan, the great Athanasius, John Chrysostom, Cyril of Alexandria and Augustine of Hippo also rejected the interpretation of this passage that would make Peter the head of the entire church, the first "pope."

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Spratt Is Speaker at Sunday School Rally

DENVER, Colo.—Dr. Wm. H. Lee Spratt was principal speaker at a dinner rally meeting of the Sunday School Association in Denver April 17, at which $1,200 was raised on the budget of the National Sunday School Association convention to be held in Denver October 13-15. Dr. David C. Bayless was master of ceremonies. Music was furnished by George Beverly Shea, and by the brass quartet directed by Jesse Roy Jones. A goal of 5,000 delegates has been set up for the National Sunday School convention and an extensive promotional program is being worked out.

Sunday School Workers Gather at Forest Home

HOLLYWOOD, Calif.— An enrollment of between 200 and 300 Sunday School teachers, superintendents, leaders, directors and ministers is expected at the Forest Home Leadership Training Conference near here June 20-26.

Among the faculty will be Dr. Howard T. Kuist of Princeton Theological Seminary; Dr. Archer E. Anderson, president of the National S. S. Association; Miss Henrietta C. Mears of Hollywood First Presbyterian Church and editor of the Gospel Light Press; Esther A. Ellinghusen, Mrs. Ralph L. Elliott, Eleanor L. Doan and teaching staff.

It is believed that this is the only conference of its kind in America. It is devoted exclusively to the training of church school teachers and leaders. Enrollments are coming in from many states. Full information can be secured from the Gospel Light Press, 1443 N. Vine Street, Hollywood 28.

European Lutherans Meeting at Bad Boll

ST. LOUIS, Mo.—European Lutherans have been invited to a series of seminars June 27-July 23 to be held at Bad Boll, a resort near Stuttgart, to discuss confessional Lutheranism and other vital topics. The project is under the sponsorship of the Missouri Synod Lutherans of the USA and will be conducted by their pastors and professors.

The development is the result of a survey recently made by the American body which revealed a deep desire on the part of European Lutheran leaders to return to the evangelical faith. Present plans call for entertaining three groups of 150 leaders each at Bad Boll for a period of ten days.

Students of Concordia Seminary here are on a special mission in Europe to study youth conditions and, if feasible, to establish Lutheran youth centers of a strictly evangelical character. Thirty German youth are now attending Grosz-Oesingen Seminary, an institution under the direction of the Mis-

REFORM

Philadelphia Forms "Decency Committee"

PHILADELPHIA —(RNS)—Clergymen of twelve Protestant denominations here have united to form a Committee for the Preservation of Decency which will combat literature alleged to be "salacious, vulgar and blasphemous."

A subcommittee headed by Rev. Melvin M. Forney, pastor of Third Baptist church and active in NAE affairs, has been created to study plans for setting up an advisory committee to cooperate with publishers in preventing the circulation of "lewd publications."

"It is our hope that this group will form the nucleus of a national uprising in protest against anti-American filthy, salacious literature," Forney said. "There is a growing revolt against the moronic exploitation of sex in modern literature, and we hope to cooperate with publishers to save them from future embarrassment on the part of an angry public."

The committee launched into action following a three-hour session here at which it was permitted to inspect books seized by local police in various bookstores. A resolution unanimously adopted commended Police Inspector Craig Ellis, head of the vice squad, for his seizures "in an effort to remove the books from the reach of boys and girls."

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Leaders of the movement said they uld seek to enlist the support of interests concerned "with the presvation of human decency in protest the circulation of any book that is scene, vulgar or blasphemous."

lcoholism Conference To Be Held in Lucerne

NASHVILLE, Tenn.—Several pars of American reform leaders will tend the International Congress ainst Alcoholism in Lucerne, Switland, July 4-9. In addition to atnding the meetings at Lucerne these rties will visit several European untries meeting government officials d experts in the field of beverage cohol and conferring with them about mmon problems.

The International Bureau Against coholism, which sponsors the Lurne meeting, is headed by Dr. J. C. ercod. Dr. Hercod is world-renowned his particular field. He speaks enty-eight languages and owns one the greatest libraries in the world beverage alcohol and alcoholism.

ennsy Dry Forces in Legislative Campaign

PITTSBURGH—(RNS)—A camign for extensive reforms in Pennsylnia's liquor laws at the next legisture session has been opened by the ate's "dry" forces.

The Pennsylvania Temperance Leae sent questionnaires to all candiates for the State Senate and House Representatives asking their views its anti-liquor program.

Dr. B. E. Ewing of Philadelphia, eague superintendent, served notice at it will sponsor legislation next ear to clamp down on clubs, broaden cal option rights and put new weaons in the hands of temperance forces.

rotest Sending Wine To Europe Under ERP

PORTLAND, Ore.—(RNS)—A resotion protesting sending of tobacco d wine abroad under the European ecovery Program was adopted by the regon presbytery of the United Presterian Church.

Meeting in annual session, the group eclared it will refer its protest to the enomination's general assembly at ew Wilmington, Pa., in June.

The presbytery specifically decried clusion in the Marshall Plan of "142,-0,000 gallons of American wine and early $1,000,000,000 of tobacco to go Europe."

Convention Report

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Convention Resolutions

The convention in its resolution adopted Thursday night urged tha Congress take steps to "conserve th best educational opportunities an finest moral safeguards for youth required to train for military servic The document expressed the belie that "this basic training could be be given by army officers in co leges and universities rather than i army camps." It was further r commended that "in line with ou American principle of freedom o conscience generous provision b made for the exemption of con scientious objectors to war fro military activities which confli with the recognized position o historic groups opposed to war."

Uniform marriage and divor laws were called for in a resolutio which pointed out that "there is a absolute conflict of laws in th several states governing marriag and divorce, so that persons may b married in one state, divorced

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nother, and be considered bigamts in others, which conflict leads to e breakdown of the American ome."

"Commercialized liquor traffic" as opposed on the ground that it definitely corrupts and destroys the tizens of the nation that permits ." This resolution stated that this traffic is consuming better than 3,500,000,000 of the resources of merica and giving back only povrty, shame and disgrace, increasing eath, accident and disease," and at "the whole abominable traffic contrary to good Christian charcter and morals." Evangelicals ere urged "to refuse to give their ote and support to politicians and arties that encourage and support uch traffic."

Recognition was taken of the persistent and aggressive advertisng program of the Roman Catholic hurch presenting its views of hristian doctrine in the secular ress." It was resolved that "the AE recommend to its local comittees that funds be raised to purhase newspaper space to set forth criptural views of these doctrines." t was further resolved that "we call pon the NAE to establish a central ffice of information where factual aterial can be secured to use in ese advertisements."

The use of "public funds for nonublic or sectarian purposes" was ondemned. The resolution went on state that "the NAE opposes ederal aid to education insofar as permits aid to go to any sectarian chool for any purpose whatsoever. he wall of separation of church nd state must be kept high and npregnable."

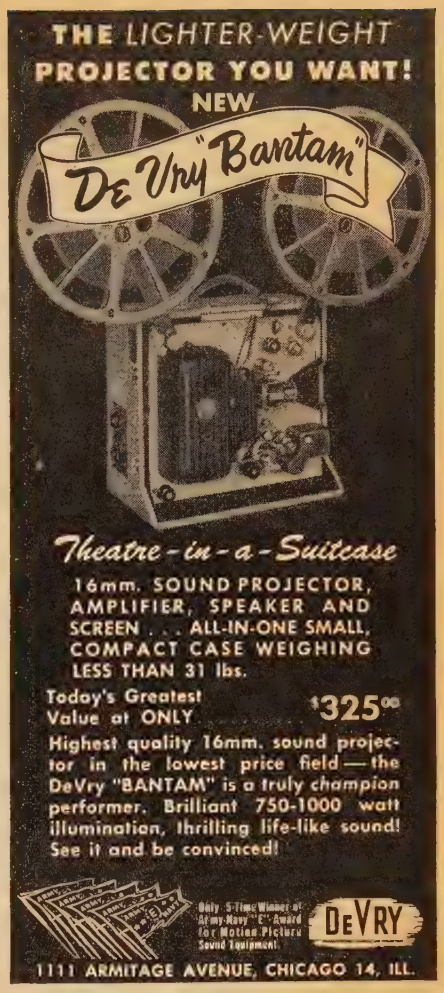
The World Evangelical Alliance as commended for its courageous, rthodox statement of belief entied "An Evangelical Charter" which as issued on the occasion of its cent centenary. On the other and, the ideologies and activities f the Federal Council of Churches f Christ in America were condemnd in the following statement: "The ational Association of Evangelals is evangelical in thought and urpose and knows no other meang of Christianity. Its very existnce, therefore, is to provide a llowship for those who oppose postasy, and who desire a means f unitedly presenting the claims of vangelical Christianity. Because f this definite purpose, NAE canot be represented by, nor be classied as cooperating with any postasizing, ecumenical organization, such as the FCCCA or any of its subsidiary organizations. We reaffirm our unqualified opposition to all such apostasy."

A vigorous resolution demanded the recall of Mr. Myron Taylor, the President's personal representative to the Vatican. Said the document, "Whereas, the President of the United States has seen fit to continue a personal envoy to the Vatican, which relationship recognizes a Church as a State, thus violating the American principle of separation of Church and State; and which gives special recognition to one of the many religious bodies of America, thus threatening to introduce a sectarian religious issue into American life and politics, Therefore, be it resolved that we deplore this intolerable un-American relationship and renew our demand that this special envoy be recalled at once."

Dr. Wm. H. Lee Spratt was chairman of the committee. The other members were Dr. H. H. Savage and Dr. Donald Hoke.

Closing Message

President Paine, in the closing address of the convention, considered the task before the NAE in the new year. He stated that the organization is wholly committed to the Christian world view and way



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Associated Agency Reports

The real work of the Chic convention came during the mor hours when many simultane conferences, study groups, wo shops and business meetings v being held. Never have th meetings been more fruitful or m largely attended. Following digests of commission, commi and agency reports which give overall picture of accomplishn heard in this phase of conven activity:

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With the rapid development of ecumenical church movement con cations are arising in the foreign sions field. They are not yet dire affecting evangelical work but sh this program grow under its pre "liberal" sponsorship it may well come a monopolizing influence. ready committees and councils been established in many for lands, which up to the present have for the most part been gi very fair treatment to evange missions. Should this attitude cha however, EFMA is prepared to se its own committees and council

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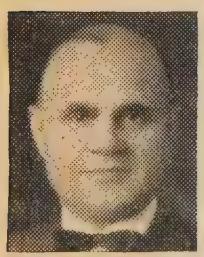

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The Washington office gives much its time to watching the course legislation in the Congress and the lings of various governmental agen-es which may have an effect on angelicals. It seeks to protect evan-lical interests and to keep our con-ituency informed as to means of in-uencing legislation.

Government agencies have a growing spect for the NAE and the EFMA. any fine courtesies have been ex-nded Mr. Taylor and his associates ring the past year and future re-tions are bound to be more and more tisfactory.

INDUSTRIAL CHAPLAINCIES

Ernest L. Chase, executive director the Commission on Industrial Chap-ncies, reported that its program slowly but surely developing.

There has been no large scale entry its counsellors into industrial ants during the past year but some 5 executives and industrial relations ads are being contacted concerning program. Survey and questionnaire e employed to keep the Commission touch with new developments.

It is clear to Mr. Chase and his oup that entrance in any vital way to this field of industrial evangelism ll require years of patient planning. this end scientific papers are be-g prepared for business and labor agazines and a general literature being created. It is believed that ould a new world war come that any concerns will be willing to lerate the distinctive Christian phas-of the industrial chaplaincy in der to receive its benefits.

NTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

The International Conference of vangelical leaders has been set for ausanne, Switzerland, August 10-12. is is sponsored by the National As-ciation of Evangelicals. Attendance delegates from most European untries is assured.

No formal organization is to be unched at present, but the confer-ce is expected to result in the selec-n of a continuing committee, which ll provide a means of clearing vari-s matters of common interest to angelicals.

Close cooperation with the Evan-lical World Alliance, with head-arters in London, is being main-ined. Official representatives of the liance will attend the Lausanne con-rence.

RELIGIOUS RADIO

The establishment of goodwill be-een religious broadcasters and the dio industry has been the aim of e NAE's Radio Commission and the tional Religious Broadcasters, Inc. . Theodore H. Elsner, who heads th groups, has worked assiduously ward this end during the past year. s report (much of which was con-ential) indicated that great pro-ess has been made.

Increased radio legislation has been posed, the NRB preferring to work th the leaders of the radio industry securing proper consideration of the hts of religious broadcasters. These ders have been most considerate. anges have been made in the proposed NAB Code to avoid conflict with NRB principles.

The national networks are giving more and more consideration to the NAE. The NBC provided nationwide facilities for a broadcast from Chicago during this convention. Columbia has promised that several NAE men will appear on the new series of "The Columbia Church of the Air." Mutual is increasing its allotment of time for the coming year. ABC is releasing another series of thirteen nationwide network broadcasts in June, July and August this year.

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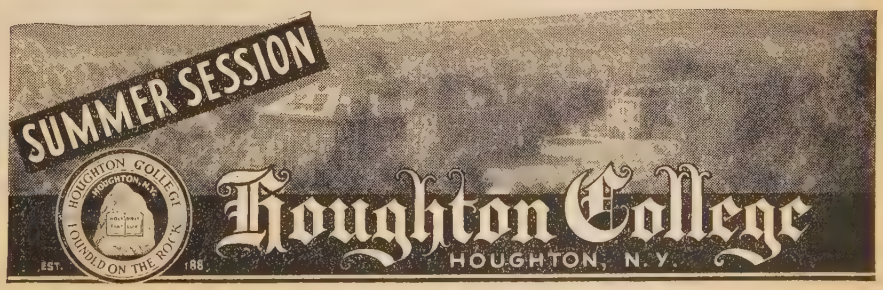

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of evangelical broadcasting competitions have been held during the past year. Awards were made to the winners at Chicago:

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Cooperation has been offered the promoters of the summer schools of radio sponsored by several evangelical institutions. Plans are being laid for the creation of several new practical services to NRB members. Alert to new developments in the field a committee on television was appointed at Chicago.

Dr. Elsner and his executive committee in the NRB were reelected at Chicago. One new member was added: Dr. T. W. Willingham, head of the Nazarene Radio League.

GOVERNMENT CHAPLAINCIES

Because of the few applicants actually applying for appointments either as chaplains in the Army, Navy or Veterans Administration the Commission on Chaplaincies—Bishop T. Hubert Spence, chairman—has been somewhat dormant this year.

Both NAE's Secretary of Public Affairs and the chairman of the commission have kept closely in touch with the offices of the Chiefs of Chaplains. The commission is fully recognized and officially registered as one of the regular church agencies. The government has shown by its appointment of Dr. Harold J. Ockenga as an official representative on the Clergy Survey of Europe and by its award of a Certificate of Merit for services rendered during World War II that it is most appreciative of the Commission's services.

The Commission has had the privilege of assisting the evangelical pastors of Puerto Rico in the matter of assignments to hospitals. Hitherto Roman Catholic priests have preempted the rights to spiritual ministration in that land.

The Commission has announced that there are soon to be about 500 new openings for fulltime chaplains in the army and navy. Denominations officially affiliated with the NAE have been assigned quotas and Dr. Spence is ready to receive applications from ministers who can meet the government's requirements.

Among the requirements are (1) at least four years' experience in the ministry, (2) must hold the B.A. and B.D. degrees or their equivalent from an approved college, university or theological institution, (3) good standing in the denomination represented, (4) veteran who can qualify under the Veteran's Preference Act of 1944, (5) a veteran who can qualify under the the USA for at least ten years, (6) not less than 21 or more than 35 years of age, etc.

Full information may be obtained from Dr. Spence by addressing him 3833 Seventeenth Place, N. E., Washington 18, D. C.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

Much of the time allotted to the Sunday School at Chicago was necessarily taken up by business meetings of the Board of Directors of the National Sunday School Association.

Rev. C. V. Egemeier, who has serve the Association from its beginning i the capacity of Executive Secretar has resigned to accept a call to mi sionary service in the Belgian Cong His successor was chosen at Chicag and will soon be announced.

During the past year Mr. Egemeie beside handling the tremendous amour of detailed office and executive wor has travelled from coast to coast fo conventions and conferences and ha led in the organization and affiliatio of numerous state and regional a sociations. The NSSA is growing in a sections of the land.

Representatives of the local com mittee preparing for the annual co vention of the Association in Denve October 13-15, were present and in fr quent consultation with the boar Plans for the gathering are well a vanced and prospects are for a larg and fruitful meeting. Sessions will held in the great downtown Centr Presbyterian Church.

The reorganization of the Unifor Bible Lesson Committee was voted Chicago. Dr. James DeForest Mur resigned as secretary of the Board accept the chairmanship of the cu riculum building group. Membersh is to be expanded and made mo representative of publishers and d nominational educational leaders. Mo than a million Sunday school pup are now studying these lessons. Co ferences were held at Chicago wi leaders of several new denominatio which expect to accept the new Un form Series in 1949 or 1950.

WAR RELIEF

The War Relief Commission reach a new high in both volume and effe tiveness in 1947-48. A splendid gro of evangelical laymen, located main in the eastern area, have given the best thought, counsel and service the work. Frank D. Lombar, t executive director, has continued fine leadership of the whole project.

Deserving people by the thousan in fifteen countries in Europe ha been fed and clothed. With each g has gone the precious Gospel me sage. Spiritual hunger in the war de astated area of Europe is grea than physical hunger and the WR distributing agencies have been me faithful in meeting both needs. W relief under the NAE is "differen for while it provides bodily comf and relieves physical hunger there always the faithful Christian tes mony.

Evangelicals in Europe have endi ed extreme privation and in ma cases have suffered persecution the faith. In all but a few instan NAE's aid has gone to people w have never received a mouthful food or a stitch of clothing from relief agency but the War Reli Commission.

Through women missionaries at distribution centers special minist tion has been given the children w are victims of physical and spirit weakness. Many of the widows pastors killed during the war h aided courageously and generously this work.

The Relief Commission is better p pared than ever before to carry

work of Christian mercy for the ngelical forces of America. The rk must go on. The need is still beyond our ability to completely pply. Let us continue to change rope's despair into hope and their pelessness into confident and peace-ing faith.

EVANGELICAL YOUTH

An encouraging report of progress de by Evangelical Youth during past year was given by Rev. H. Sheets, president, and Parks Hunt, retary.

Various definite accomplishments for year were listed: (1) A national dquarters was established at 39 S. hth St. Minneapolis, Minn. (2) A f-time secretary was employed. (3) mailing list of over five hundred ngelical youth leaders of America s developed. (4) At least six re-ses were sent from the national ice to the full mailing list.

Three research commissions were ated—Youth Evangelism, Youth unseling and Leadership Training, d Youth Materials. Findings of these mmissions were incorporated into the gram of the Evangelical Youth nvention. The program for the year s self-financed with a balance in treasury at convention time. A tative budget of $5,000 was voted the coming year.

A positive increase in interest and mbership of both organizations and ividuals was registered. Definite ns for the continued development d widening services of Evangelical uth in the coming year were formu-ed, including plans for a national angelical Youth Congress.

LAY ORGANIZATIONS

A new lay leadership in the affairs the National Association of Evan-icals was provided at Chicago.

The Women's Fellowship of the E is headed by Mrs. Leslie R. rston of Greenville, Ill. It plans encourage the formation of local pters in every major center in nation. These groups will promote ious phases of the NAE program luding War Relief, Christian Day ools, Social and Home Missionary erprises, and will use their in-ence to affect legislation on im-tant public issues. Other members the executive committee are Mrs. Roswell Flower, Springfield, Mo.; s Elizabeth Evans, Boston, Mass.; s. Merrill C. Tenney, Wheaton, Ill.; s. Theodore H. Elsner, Philadelphia, ; Mrs. Clarence Bouma, Grand pids, Mich., and Mrs. H. H. Savage, ntiac, Mich. Some thirty-five women re appointed to the Advisory Coun-of the Fellowship.

. A. Rohrer, Elkhart, Ind., manu-turer, was chosen chairman of the tional Laymen's Advisory Council. Council has three principal ob-tives: (1) To make available to NAE the experience and counsel the laymen of America who are oted to Christ and the Church: (2) provide the NAE a means of con-ting other Christian men across erica who may be enlisted in ac-Christian service; and (3) to ade-tely undergird financially the pro-m of the NAE. Other business men nposing the Board of Directors are l Gundersen, Benjamin Lake, Roy Anderson, Andy Wyzenbeek, Henry

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The decision of the United Sta Supreme Court on released-time e cation as conducted in the Champai Ill., public schools has stimulated terest in the NAE's program of Chr tian Day School development. James DeForest Murch, editor *United Evangelical Action,* NAE's ficial publication, said, "However sa tary the Court's decision may be some particulars it has made clear fact that evangelicals can no lon look to the public schools for type of education which will m Christian citizens . . . . The deci is therefore a challenge to all Ch tian Americans to build Christian Schools and guarantee the perpe tion of those principles which h made America great in the past without which she is doomed to struction."

Mr. Mark Fakkema, executive se tary of the National Association Christian Schools, an NAE affil reported that more applications for vice and aid in the developmen elementary Christian Day Scho are coming to his office than his can adequately handle.

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A number of new members were re- ved by the accrediting agency for titutions of higher education. Stan- rdization of evangelical schools and leges is proceeding satisfactorily d progress was reported in better- nt of faculties, libraries, building ilities, endowments and public re- ions. Dr. Enock C. Dyrness has en a fine quality of broad-visioned dership to the Commission on Chris- n Educational Institutions during e past year and a unanimous trib- e of appreciation was given him Chicago.

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